

**RESTORATION INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM  
FORMERLY USED DEFENSE SITES (FUDS)  
PROJECT FACT SHEET  
ORIGINAL DATE: 31 JANUARY 1995  
TAG REVIEW DATE: 3 FEBRUARY 1998**

1. **SITE NAME:** Walker Air-To-Ground Gunnery Range

**SITE NUMBER:** B07KS028800

**LOCATION:**

City: Ness City  
County: Ness  
State: Kansas

**PROJECT NUMBER:** B07KS028801

**CATEGORY:** OE

**INPR RAC:** 4

**ASR RAC:** 4

**TAG RAC:** 5

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3. **SITE DESCRIPTION:**

Walker Air-To-Ground Gunnery Range, encompassing approximately 11,520 acres (80 acres of public land and 11,440 acres leased) is located between 6 to 12 miles west-southwest of Ness City, Kansas. The land is currently being used for agricultural purposes and the extraction of natural gas and oil.

#### **4. SITE HISTORY:**

Walker Air-To-Ground Gunnery Range was acquired by the Army in 1943 and used by Walker Army Air Field, Smokey Hill Army Air Field, and McCook Army Air Field as an auxiliary training range to practice gunnery skills. Numerous .50 caliber cartridge cases, spent bullets, and associated metal ammunition links, found during a careful search of the range, provide visible evidence that this range was utilized as an air-to-ground gunnery range. No other visible evidence of OE was found on the range. This area was reported as having been cleared after World War II. All land leases were terminated and usage reverted back to agricultural and oil, gas, and mineral exploration.

#### **5. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

Entire Site: Size, Acres:	Approximately 11,520
Former Use:	A-to-G Gunnery Range
Present Use:	Agriculture, Natural Gas & Oil Extraction
Probable End Use:	Same as above
Ordinance Presence:	Confirmed
Type:	.50 caliber cartridge casings, bullets & links

#### **6. CURRENT STATUS:**

The Archives Search Report (ASR) for Walker Air-To-Ground Gunnery Range was completed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District, in January 1995.

#### **7. STRATEGY: NOFA**

#### **8. ISSUES AND CONCERNS:**

a. The Huntsville Center Technical Advisory Group reviewed this ASR and has determined that NOFA is necessary for this site as historical records and the results of the SI Team's inspection revealed only small arms were used/found on this FUDS. A revised Risk Assessment Code form is attached reflecting a score of 5.

b. Based on the investigation of historical records reviewed, the results of the site survey and interviews, there is no evidence of Chemical Warfare Materials ever being stored, used or disposed of at this FUDS.

c. There are known Federally- and State-listed species occurring in the site area. An on-site inspection by appropriate State and Federal personnel may be necessary to verify the presence, absence or location of listed species, or natural communities.

**9. SCHEDULE SUMMARY: NOFA**

**10. FUNDING/BUDGET SUMMARY: NA**

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